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SUBJECT: KHADDAM COMMENTS ON LEBANON

REF: DAMASCUS 6396

REGRET OMITTED FROM PARA 4 REFTEL KHADDAM'S
COMMENT ABOUT WHY SYRIA WAS SO INTERESTED IN HAVING SARKIS'
INAUGURATION PROCEED ON SCHEDULE TOMORROW. FONMIN NOTED
THAT, IN IVEW OF THE FRANGIE-CHAMOUN STAGEMANAGING OF RECENT
CHABINET CHANGE, CHAMOUN WOULD AUTOMATICALLY BECOME ACTING
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC WERE SARKIS NOT TO TAKE
THE OATH OF OFFICE AS SCHULED. KHADDAM SAID THAT
SUCH DEVELOPMENT COULD ENTAIL MAJOR RISK OF MOVING

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LEBANON SIGNIFICANTLY TOWARD PARTITION.

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